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ENGLISH

Class: VII

Time: 1hr

Date: 30.06.25

Max Marks: 25

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General Instructions:

1. The question paper contains THREE sections-READING, GRAMMAR & WRITING and LITERATURE.
2. Attempt questions based on specific instructions for each part.

SECTION - A READING (7 Marks)

I. Read the following comprehension and answer the questions briefly:

1x7=7

Honesty is not merely a virtue, but the very foundation of trust and integrity. In all walks of life—whether in personal relationships, professional environments, or public life—honesty serves as a crucial pillar. It is the quality that ensures that others can rely on a person's words and actions. However, true honesty is more than just telling the truth—it involves transparency, sincerity, and the courage to admit mistakes, even when it is inconvenient or uncomfortable.

In today's world, the temptation to lie or hide the truth is often strong. People may deceive others for personal gain or to avoid the consequences of their actions. While dishonesty may provide short-term advantages, it often leads to long-term harm. Trust, once broken, is difficult to rebuild, and relationships based on lies are often fragile and unreliable.

An honest person, on the other hand, does not fear the consequences of truth. They are not afraid to admit their faults, take responsibility, and learn from their mistakes. This kind of honesty, though difficult at times, fosters respect and strengthens relationships. Moreover, it allows individuals to live with peace of mind, knowing that they have acted with integrity.

Though it may not always lead to immediate rewards, honesty brings enduring benefits. It ensures that we are seen as reliable, trustworthy, and authentic, which can lead to lasting success—whether in personal growth, relationships, or career.

On the basis of the reading of the passage, answer the questions:

1. Which of the following best describes the role of honesty in relationships, as per the passage?
 - a) Honesty is an optional trait in relationships
 - b) Honesty helps build trust and strengthens connections
 - c) Honesty is often inconvenient and should be avoided
 - d) Honesty is valuable only in professional environments

2. What does the passage suggest about people who are dishonest?
 - a) They quickly gain trust and respect from others
 - b) They avoid difficult situations by lying
 - c) They may experience temporary benefits but face long-term consequences
 - d) They always experience immediate success and rewards
 3. Which of the following is NOT mentioned as a quality of honesty in the passage?
 - a) Transparency
 - b) The ability to avoid mistakes
 - c) Sincerity
 - d) Courage to admit faults
 4. What is the main argument against dishonesty presented in the passage?
 - a) Dishonesty leads to success and prosperity
 - b) Dishonesty is a natural human trait
 - c) Dishonesty destroys trust and damages relationships in the long run
 - d) Dishonesty can be beneficial in the short term but has no lasting effects
 5. How does the passage describe the consequences of broken trust?
 6. What are the benefits of honesty, according to the passage?
 7. "An honest person does not fear the consequences of truth and takes responsibility for their actions."
- Do you agree with this statement? Justify your answer.

SECTION B- WRITING & GRAMMAR (8 Marks)

- II.** You met your old friend in the market today after five years. Write a diary entry expressing your thoughts and emotions on the meeting. **1x4=4**
- III A.** Underline the main clause, circle the subordinate clause and rewrite the sentence. **1x2=2**
1. When my father arrives, he will give the directions.
 2. Until the sun sets, sit by the lake.
- B.** Choose the correct answers. **1x2=2**
1. I'm hopeful/ hopeless at learning new names. I always forget them.
 2. Junk food is harmful / harmless to your health.

SECTION C – LITERATURE (10 marks)

- IV.** Choose the correct answer to the following questions: **1x3=3**
1. The motto of the Olympic Games - Faster, Higher, Stronger - expresses
 - a. the spirit of competition to win any race.
 - b. the aspirations of the Olympic movement in athletic as well as moral and educational sense.
 - c. a desire to be the best among the rest in terms of physical health.
 - d. a tendency to defeat the rival team in a game
 2. Swimmers can boost their performance in the swimming pool by
 - a. regulating the oxygen level in the pool.
 - b. taking care of their body temperature.

- c. wearing special swimsuits.
- d. removing gutters at the side of the pools.

3. The series number of the lottery ticket that Masha had taken was
- a .5431
 - b. 9499
 - c .7500
 - d. 6546

V. Attempt ANY TWO of the questions given below, within 30-43 words each. 2x2 = 4

1. Why did Masha and Ivan decide that they didn't need the money after all?
2. Draw a character sketch of Masha and Ivan as a couple.
3. List two advancements that have led to an increase in the speed of swimmers.

VI. Attempt ANY ONE of the questions given below. 1x3=3

1. And, for the first time in his life, Ivan looked at his wife with anger. What made Ivan so angry at Masha?
2. How has technology changed the way athletes train and analyse their performance?

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